

Newsletter

Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy and meaningful week at Prendergast, I'd like to share some of our highlights and let you know about the events planned for next week.

This Week in School

This week, Year 6 classes have visited Carew Cheriton and met with volunteers, who were very happy to share their knowledge about the resources and engage in activities with the children, who demonstrated their respect and understanding during the discussions.

Year 5 pupils have been learning about the importance of Remembrance and reflected on those who have served and sacrificed for our country, and many children have created thoughtful artwork and writing to mark the occasion ahead of leading a whole school assembly and an assembly for Year 5 parents on Armistice Day, 11th November.

Year 3 and 4 pupils held a Green Careers' Fair – a first for our school! We welcomed many organisations, who shared their work and answered many questions from our inquisitive learners.

On Thursday, Year 1 pupils visited Haverfordwest Town Library a great local resource, which welcomes families to its setting. Many of our pupils have library cards for this library, and all pupils have their individual cards for the school library. The visit supported our efforts to engage children to read daily and the importance of reading to access all areas of learning.

Alex the vet, visited the Year 1 classes and talked about her role and how she helps many animals, and the children were keen to ask lots of questions to support their learning.

In celebration assemblies pupils have been awarded pencils and medals for completing the October Reading Challenge, which proved to be most popular with our children in Reception to year 3, so our older pupils have been asked to raise their game and complete the next reading challenge, which will take place over the Christmas holiday!



On Tuesday I met with the School Council to discuss their ideas for marking this year's Children in Need Day and Power Down Layer Up Day, which we will mark on Friday 14th November.

Looking Ahead

- Parents' Meetings Week – We're looking forward to welcoming parents and carers into school to meet with teachers. These meetings are an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's progress and wellbeing. If you haven't been able to make an appointment, please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible and thank you for your patience with the change to the booking system this week. Paper copies of appointment times are being brought home from school today!
- Anti-Bullying Week (10th–14th November) and Odd Socks Launch Day on Monday
The theme this year is "Make a Noise About Bullying." and children will be taking part in activities and discussions about kindness, inclusion and respect, and pupils are invited to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique throughout the week!
- Power Down, Layer Up Day (Friday) – As part of our Eco-Schools work, we'll be reducing energy use for the day. Children can wear an extra jumper or fleece while we learn more about saving energy and protecting our planet. This coincides with Children in Need Day.
- Children in Need (Friday) – Pupils are invited to wear pyjamas, onesies, dressing gowns, or layers (see Power Down, Layer Up Day) and donations for the charity, Children in Need are welcome.
- Scholastic Book Fayre - this will be available after school in the Music Area for parents and children to access from Monday 10th until Friday 14th November.
- Year 6 will visit the Crucial Crew Event at Witherby Showground on Monday 10th November
- Year 5 have a swimming session on Monday 10th November, as they missed one last term, due to the pool being closed.

Safeguarding and School Expectations

As always, the safety and wellbeing of our pupils is our highest priority. Please support us by ensuring:

- The school office has up-to-date contact details, including your current email address and mobile number, so we can reach you quickly if needed.



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- Your child attends school every day and on time – good attendance makes a huge difference to learning and confidence.
- Children wear the correct school uniform, clearly labelled with their name. This helps build pride and belonging within our school community and prepares them for their transition to secondary school. A reminder that we have many items of school clothing available for children to wear, and we mark the birthdays of our pupils by inviting them to wear non-school uniform on their special day. The wearing of school uniform also supports our efforts to minimise distraction within teaching and learning activities. Please ensure that appropriate footwear is worn to school i.e. no Crocs/Uggs/heels.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us make Prendergast a safe, happy and thriving school for every child. Your partnership and involvement are greatly appreciated.

Wishing you a restful weekend and we look forward to another exciting week ahead.

Warm regards,

Louise John Headteacher

Diary Dates: September 2025/26	
Monday 1 st September	INSET 1 – School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 2 nd September	INSET 2 – School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 3 rd September	School reopens for all pupils
Thursday 4 th September	Weekly lunchtime football sessions with Haverfordwest AFC
Friday 5 th September	Visit to Haverfordwest Castle – Year 6 Pupil Group
Monday 8 th September	Weekly swimming sessions for Year 5 until Monday 20 th October
Monday 8 th September	Big Bocs Bwyd Meeting Join Mrs Edwards after school from 3.30 p.m. for refreshments – All welcome
Monday 8 th September	Roald Dahl Day
Tuesday 9 th September	Ein Senedd Ysgol/Our Senedd School Meetings start for all pupils in year 3 – 6
Wednesday 10 th September	Interviews for Head & Deputy Head Boy, and Head & Deputy Head Girl
Wednesday 10 th September	Weekly Parent and Toddler Group 9.15 – 10.45 a.m.
Thursday 11 th September	Dave Edwards, Respiratory Nurse Practitioner available for meetings with



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	families to discuss asthma health plans from 9.30 -12. Please contact the school office, 01437 771580 to book an appointment.
Monday 15 th September	Launch Day for New Mental Maths Activity. Pupils across the school invited to dress as a gaming character
Tuesday 16 th September	Finesse Photography - Individual and sibling photographs
Tuesday 16 th September	Friends of Prendergast Meeting from 2 - 2.45 p.m. All welcome
Wednesday 24 th September (1 st , 8 th & 15 th October)	After School Clubs for Year 4 - 6
Thursday 25 th September	Year 4 visit to St Brides
Friday 26 th September	MacMillan Coffee Event (Donations of cakes and volunteers welcome)
Friday 26 th September	National Teaching Assistants' Day
Friday 26 th September	Bike Check - Year 6
Monday 29 th September	INSET 3 - School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 30 th September	Meet the Staff Open Event from 3.30 - 4.30 p.m.
Tuesday 30 th September	Haverfordwest Cluster Schools' Singing Event at HHVCS 8.45 - 12 p.m. for Year 5 and 6
Wednesday 1 st October	Flu Vaccination Programme for Reception - Year 6 Pupils
Wednesday 1 st October	Urdd Mixed Tag Festival for Year 3 & 4 Teams at Narberth RFC
Thursday 2 nd October	Meeting for Year 5 Parents - Residential Visit to Urdd Campas, Cardiff
Monday 6 th - Friday 24 th October	Cycling Proficiency for Year 6
Tuesday 7 th October	Friends of Prendergast PTA Meeting 2pm - 2:45pm
Wednesday 8 th October	Shoctober - 999 Lifesaving Skills for Year 5 & 6 Pupils
Friday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day Children invited to wear something yellow to school
Friday 10 th October	Prendergast School Choir singing at the opening of the new pedestrian bridge in Haverfordwest 4pm - 5pm
Tuesday 14 th October	CogUrdd and PobUrdd Competition 9am - 11.30am
Wednesday 15 th October	SSCE Cymru Forces Festival



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Wednesday 15 th October	Diwrnod Shwmae - Shwmae Day - Children invited to wear red/white/green clothes to school
Thursday 16 th October	Harvest Celebration 1.30 p.m.
Tuesday 21 st October	Urdd Rugby for Year 5 & 6 Teams at Neyland RFC
Wednesday 22 nd October	Year 6 visit to Spitfire Museum, Haverfordwest, Cenotaph War Memorial
Thursday 23 rd October	Open Evening at Haverfordwest High VC School - 4.30pm to 7pm
Thursday 23 rd October	Pembrokeshire Hogspital to visit Reception
Thursday 23 rd October	Pembrokeshire Outdoor Schools' Celebration STEM Group. Postponed due to weather warning.
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st October	Half - term
Monday 3 rd November	Weekly swimming sessions for Year 6 until Monday 8 th December
Tuesday 4 th November	Dosbarth Druidston to Carew Cheriton
Tuesday 4 th November	Dave Edwards, Respiratory Pharmacist to visit school. Please contact school if you would like an appointment
Tuesday 4 th November	Friends of Prendergast PTA 2pm - 2.45pm
Wednesday 5 th November	Dosbarth Whitesands to Carew Cheriton
Monday 10 th November	Crucial Crew for Year 6 - Year 5 will swim for this session
Monday 10 th - Thursday 13 th November	Meetings with Parents
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th November	Scholastic Book Fayre
Tuesday 11 th November	Remembrance Assembly 1.30 p.m.
Thursday 27 th November	Christmas Fayre 3.30 - 5.30 p.m.
Saturday 29 th November	Our school Choir will be singing at the switching on of the Christmas Lights in Haverfordwest
Monday 1 st December	Christmas Performances for Year 1 & 4 from 6 p.m.
Tuesday 2 nd December	Christmas Performances for Year 1 & 4 from 1 p.m.
Wednesday 3 rd December	Christmas Dinner & Sparkle Day
Wednesday 3 rd December	No Parent and Toddler Group
Thursday 4 th December	Carol Concert Practice at St. David's Church, Prendergast for Year 4 - 6, Oak Trees - 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.
Tuesday 9 th December	Carol Concert Practice at St. David's Church, Prendergast for Nursery - Year 3, Acorns & Saplings - a.m.



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Tuesday 9 th December	Friends of Prendergast PTA Annual General Meeting at 1.45pm
Wednesday 10 th - Friday 12 th December	Residential Visit for Year 5 to Cardiff
Wednesday 10 th December	Parent and Toddler Christmas Party
Thursday 11 th December	Official Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 th December	Carol Concert for Nursery & Reception, Acorns at St. David's Church, Prendergast 10 - 11 a.m.
Monday 15 th December	Years 1 to 6 visit to Palace Cinema to watch a Christmas Themed film
Tuesday 16 th December	Carol Concert for Year 1 - 3, Saplings at St. David's Church, Prendergast 10 - 11 a.m.
Tuesday 16 th December	Christmas Disco
Thursday 18 th December	Carol Concert for Year 4 - 6, Oak Trees at St. David's Church, Prendergast 10 - 11 a.m.
Thursday 18 th December	School Choir Carol Singing @ Tesco's Store
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Autumn Term Non-school uniform day - Christmas Jumper Day in school
Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays
Monday 5 th January 2026	INSET 4 - Haverfordwest Cluster Schools
Tuesday 6 th January	School reopens to all pupils for Spring Term
Monday 12 th January	Weekly swimming sessions for Year 4 until Monday 2 nd March
Wednesday 4 th February	World Read Aloud Day 2026
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day 2026
Monday 13 th April	INSET #5 - School Closed to Pupils
Monday 20 th July	INSET #6 - School Closed to Pupils



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